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Title: LOCATING REGIONS IN  
A TARGET IMAGE  
USING COLOR MATCH,  
LUMINANCE PATTERN  
MATCH AND HILL-  
CLIMBING TECHNIQUES

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF  
JULY 14, 2005**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of July 14, 2005, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.